

founder of the Small School in Hartland. The school focuses on combining education with ecological and spiritual values. In 1991, Mr. Kumar helped found Schumacher College, an international center for ecological studies, and serves as its Director of Programmes. Mr. Kumar has also co-founded Jain Spirit, an international magazine that provides insight and information on Jain values and teachings, and helped to establish the School of the Seed, a college devoted to sustainable living in India. At 70, he still offers a weeklong course on Gandhian Values.

When Mr. Kumar was 50 years old he undertook another pilgrimage, once more with no money, he walked the holy sights in Britain, Glastonbury, Canterbury, Lindisfarne and Iona.

In 2000, Mr. Kumar was awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Education from the University of Plymouth and in 2001 an Honorary Doctorate in Literature from the University of Lancaster. Mr. Kumar continues to teach, lecture, and run workshops on ecology, holistic education and voluntary simplicity and authors books on the same subjects.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join in honor, gratitude and recognition of Satish Kumar. His neverending quest to encourage and teach serves as an inspiration and his messages of world peace and simple living continues to affect the lives of many. I wish Mr. Kumar, his wife June Mitchell, and son, Mukti Kumar Mitchell, an abundance of health,

peace and happiness as he continues his journey onward from here.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. KATHERINE HARRIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

Ms. HARRIS. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall vote No. 451, had I been present I would have voted "yea"; on rollcall vote No. 452, had I been present I would have voted "yea"; on rollcall vote No. 453, had I been present I would have voted "yea".

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2006 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

SEPTEMBER 22

9:30 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Clyde Bishop, of Delaware, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

SD-419

SEPTEMBER 26

9:30 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine how widespread is the problem and is there adequate criminal enforcement relating to illegal insider trading.

SD-226

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the New Basel Capital Accord.

SD-538

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Robert T. Howard, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology); to be followed by a business meeting off the floor after the first roll call vote, to consider the nomination of Mr. Howard.

SR-418

10:45 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the Federal government's implementation of pay for performance systems for its senior executives, focusing on the regulatory structure for the systems, the agency certification process, and the effectiveness of the role of the Office of Personnel Management in evaluating and monitoring these systems.

SD-342

2 p.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine judicial nominations.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine uncollected taxes and issues of transparency relating to deconstructing the tax code, focusing on the 2006 updated estimate of the tax gap by the IRS, examine IRS efforts to close the tax gap as well as legislative solutions to increase tax payer compliance, and explore the transparency of the tax code.

SD-342

3 p.m.

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and its impact on United States interests in Central Asia.

SD-538

3:15 p.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Foreign Relations

To hold joint hearings to examine International Polar Year.

SR-253

SEPTEMBER 27

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher A. Padilla, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Bijan Rafiekian, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

SD-538

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SR-253

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine new technologies to improve care for people with diabetes and reduce the burden on the health care system, focusing on the development of an artificial pancreas.

SD-342

Energy and Natural Resources

Public Lands and Forests Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine S. 3599, to establish the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument in the State of New Mexico, S. 3794, to provide for the implementation of the Owyhee Initiative Agreement, S. 3854, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, H.R. 3603, to promote the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System lands and other public lands in central Idaho, to designate the Boulder-White Cloud Management Area to ensure the continued management of certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands for recreational and grazing use and conservation and resource protection, to add certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands in central Idaho to the National Wilderness Preservation System, and H.R. 5025, to protect for future generations the recreational opportunities, forests, timber, clean water, wilderness and scenic values, and diverse habitat of Mount Hood National Forest, Oregon.

SD-628

2:30 p.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Biotechnology and Public Health Preparedness Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine measures to improve emergency medical care.

SD-430

3 p.m.

Judiciary

Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship Subcommittee

To hold an oversight hearing to examine United States refugee admissions and policy.

SD-226

SEPTEMBER 28

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine issues relating to military voting and the Federal Voting Assistance Program.

SH-216

10 a.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Aviation Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine new aircraft in the National Airspace System.

SR-253